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EXAMINER 'S AMENDMENT

1. An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Robert C. Laurenson on 10-09-08.

The application has been amended as follows:

In the claims:

Claim 1, line 1, change "processor" to --- computer ---.

Claim 1, lines 6, change "packet address" to --- second portion ---.

Claim 1, lines 9, change "packet address" to --- second portion ---.

Claim 2, line 1, change "processor" to --- computer ---.

Claim 3, line 1, change "processor" to --- computer ---.

Claim 4, line 1, change "processor" to --- computer ---.

Claim 5, line 1, change "processor" to --- computer ---.

Claim 6, line 1, change "processor" to --- computer ---.

Claim 7, line 1, change "processor" to --- computer ---.

Claim 8, line 1, change "processor" to --- computer ---.

Claim 9, line 1, change "processor" to --- computer ---.

Claim 10, line 1, change "processor" to --- computer ---.

Claim 11, line 1, change "processor" to --- computer ---.

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Claim 12, line 1, change "processor" to --- computer ---.
Claim 13, line 1, change "processor" to --- computer ---.
Claim 14, line 1, change "processor" to --- computer ---.
Claim 15, line 1, change "processor" to --- computer ---.
Claim 16, line 1, change "processor" to --- computer ---.
Claim 17, line 1, change "processor" to --- computer ---.
Claim 18, line 1, change "processor" to --- computer ---.
Claim 19, line 1, change "processor" to --- computer ---.
Claim 20, line 1, change "processor" to --- computer ---.
Claim 21, line 1, change "processor" to --- computer ---.
Claim 22, line 1, change "processor" to --- computer ---.
Claim 23, line 1, change "processor" to --- computer ---.
Claim 24, line 1, change "processor" to --- computer ---.
Claim 25, line 1, change "processor" to --- computer ---.
Claim 26, line 1, change "processor" to --- computer ---.
Claim 27, line 1, change "processor" to --- computer ---.
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Claim 28 (New) The computer readable medium of claim 1, wherein the second portion specifies the location relative to the first portion.

Reason for Allowance

Regarding claims 1-28, the prior art fails to teach or suggest a computer readable medium encoded with processor executable instructions comprising a command for a packet data

modification processor, the command specifying forming, modifying or replacing a portion of the first packet, at the location specified by the second portion, based on or using data derived from a second packet distinct from the command or the command, in combination with other limitations, as specified in the independent claim 1.

- 2. Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."
- 3. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Duc Ho whose telephone number is (571) 272-3147. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday through Thursday from 7:30 am to 6:00 pm.

If attempt to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Jay Patel, can be reached on (571) 272-2988.

Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application or proceeding should be directed to the Group receptionist whose telephone number is (571) 272-2600.

The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

4. Information regarding the status of an application may be obtained from the Patent Application Information Retrieval (PAIR) system. Status information for published applications may be obtained from either Private PAIR or Public PAIR. Status information for unpublished applications is available through Private PAIR only. For more information about the PAIR system, see http://pair-direct.uspto.gov. Should you have questions on access to the Private PAIR system, contact the Electronic Business Center (EBC) at 866-217-9197 (toll-free).

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